

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE****Applicant(s):** Duncan**Application No.:** 09/709,830**Filed:** 11/09/2000**Title:** Method and Apparatus for Dynamically Loading  
and Managing Software Services in a Network Device**Attorney Docket No.:** 0270157 120-077**Nortel Ref:** 12512SS**Group Art Unit:** 2142**Examiner:** Vu**RECEIVED  
CENTRAL FAX CENTER****JUL 26 2004****OFFICIAL****Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450****AMENDMENT****Dear Sir:**

In response to the Office Action of February 17, 2004, please amend this application as follows: